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ABSTRACT

The Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport held its fifth session at Unesco House in Paris October 7-13, 1986. A report is given on the plenary session, followed by reports of the ad hoc subcommittees which constitute 5 of the 16 items on the meeting agenda. Six recommendations are reported on the lines of emphasis of Unesco's program for 1988-89, and of the Medium-Term Plan for 1990-1995 in the field of physical education and sport. Included in the appendices are the opening and closing addresses to the session and information on participants. (JD)

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PREFACE

Following the recommendations of the First International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport held in Paris in 1976, the General Conference, at its nineteenth session, adopted resolution 1.153 by which it decided to set up for the 1977-1978 biennium an Interim Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport.

The Interim Intergovernmental Committee met twice during the 1977-1978 biennium at Unesco House in Paris. Its report was submitted by the Director-General to the General Conference at its twentieth session.

At the same session, the General Conference decided to establish the Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport and, by resolution 1/5.4/3, adopted its Statutes. Under the terms of Article 2, paragraph 1, of the Statutes, 30 Member States were elected as members of the Committee.

In application of Article 3, paragraph 1, of those Statutes, which stipulates that the Committee shall meet in regular plenary session at least once and not more than twice every two years, the Committee held its first session in Paris, at Unesco House, from 5 to 9 June 1979.

The General Conference, having examined the report of that first session submitted to it by the Director-General at its twenty-first session, authorized the Director-General, by its resolution 1/09, to convene two sessions of the Committee during the 1981-1983 budgetary period.

The Committee therefore held its second and third sessions at Unesco House, respectively from 3 to 10 March 1981 and from 22 to 29 March 1983.

The General Conference, having examined the reports of the second and third sessions submitted to it by the Acting Chairman of the Committee, authorized the Director-General to convene the fourth session during the 1984-1985 budgetary period (paragraph 05410 of document 22 C/5 Approved).

The Committee therefore held its fourth session at Unesco House from 9 to 16 October 1984.

The General Conference, having examined the report of the fourth session submitted to it by one of the five Vice-Chairmen of the Committee, authorized the Director-General to convene the fifth session during the 1986-1987 budgetary period (paragraph 05416, 1(a) of document 23 C/5 Approved).

The Committee thus held its fifth session at Unesco House from 7 to 13 October 1986.

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OPENING OF THE SESSION

Item 1 of the agenda

1. The Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport held its fifth session at Unesco House in Paris from 7 to 13 October 1986.

2. Following the withdrawal of a Member State from the Organization, the Intergovernmental Committee is reduced to 29 out of the 30 Member States of which it is composed. The members of the Committee elected by the General Conference at its twenty-second session (resolution 5.3), whose mandates will expire at the end of the twenty-fourth session of the General Conference are: Angola, Belgium, China, Congo, Federal Republic of Germany, Malawi, Nicaragua, Republic of Korea, Saudi Arabia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United States of America and Zambia. As the United States of America withdrew from the Organization on 31 December 1984 and the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland on 31 December 1985, they thereby lost their mandate. At its twenty-third session the General Conference elected the following members to the Committee: Argentina, Bangladesh, Bulgaria, Central African Republic, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Egypt, El Salvador, Kuwait, Malaysia, Mali, the Netherlands, Pakistan, Uganda, the Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (resolution 5.4). The mandate of these Member States will expire at the end of the twenty-fifth session of the General Conference.

All the members of the Committee except three (Congo, Malawi and Uganda) attended this fifth session. Representatives of 37 Member States of Unesco that are not members of the Committee, one national liberation movement, one intergovernmental organization and 20 international non-governmental organizations also attended the session as observers. (The list of participants appears in Annex VII.)

3. The participants had before them a number of documents prepared for them by the Secretariat and also the reports of the previous sessions of the Committee. (The list of documents appears in Annex VI.)

4. On behalf of the Chairman of the Bureau of the fourth session of the Committee, Mr Sharad Chandra Shaha, who was attending the Xth Asian Games in Seoul, Mr Du Hao Ran, as the most senior Vice-Chairman of that Bureau, welcomed all the participants. On behalf of the Committee, he paid tribute to the dedication shown by Mr Shaha since his election in October 1984. He informed the members of the Committee that they would have to come to a decision on the new provision in the Committee's Statutes, adopted by the General Conference in 23 C/Resolution 32.1. He then chaired the meeting until the new Chairman was elected. (The text of Mr Du Hao Ran's address is contained in Annex II.)

5. On behalf of the Director-General, who was prevented from attending because of the 125th session of the Executive Board, the Deputy Director-General, Mr Jean Knapp, opened the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Committee on 7 October 1986 at 10.15 a.m.

6. After welcoming the participants, particularly the representatives of the newly elected Member States, and also paying tribute to the Chairman, Mr Shaha, Mr Knapp thanked the outgoing Bureau for the high quality of its work. He stressed the Committee's action in the cause of strengthening peace in 1986, which had been proclaimed International Year of Peace by the United Nations, and which coincided with the celebration of the fortieth anniversary of the founding of Unesco. He then referred to the action of the Committee, particularly its efforts to promote wide circulation of the International Charter of Physical Education and Sport, its contribution to the establishment of Unesco's official Award for Distinguished Services to Physical Education and Sport, and its encouragement for financial and other contributions to the International Fund for the Development of Physical Education and Sport.

Commenting on the provisional agenda, he said that the Director-

General would appreciate the Committee's opinions and suggestions on the convening of the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport, on the activities for the promotion of FIDEPS and on the multidisciplinary study on the origins and forms of violence in sports activities, which had been decided upon by the Executive Board. (The text of the Deputy Director-General's address is contained in Annex III.)

ELECTION OF THE BUREAU OF THE COMMITTEE

Item 2 of the agenda

7. In accordance with Article 6, paragraph 1, of its Statutes, the Committee proceeded to elect its Chairman. Dr Osvaldo Otero (Argentina) was elected Chairman of the Committee by acclamation.

Item 3 of the agenda

8. The Committee then elected by acclamation the five Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur-General. The Bureau of the Intergovernmental Committee, under the chairmanship of Dr Otero, is composed as follows:

Vice-Chairmen:
Mr Du Hao Ran (People's Republic of China)
Mr Alberto Juantorena (Cuba)
Dr Essam Badawy (Arab Republic of Egypt)
Mr Ferdy R. Imesch (Switzerland) and
Mr Nikolay Roussak (USSR)

Rapporteur-General:
Mr Diadié Yacouba Dagnoko (Mali)

The Chairman, the five Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur-General constitute the Bureau of the Intergovernmental Committee, whose term of office will expire with the election of a new Bureau. (The list of members of the Bureau appears in Annex VIII.)

ORGANIZATION OF THE WORK OF THE SESSION

Item 4 of the agenda

9. When work resumed, the representative of the Federal Republic of Germany proposed that an item concerning the creation of an international centre for information on sport should be included on the agenda. The Chairman having suggested that that question should be examined under item 11 of the agenda, the Committee unanimously adopted the agenda of its fifth session proposed by the Bureau (The agenda appears in Annex I.)

10. In accordance with Rule 4 of its Rules of Procedure, the Committee decided to set up two special subcommittees to examine various items on the agenda:
Subcommittee I, items 9 (multidisciplinary study on the origins and forms of violence in sports activities) and 13 (activities of the FIDEPS);
Subcommittee II, items 7 (evaluation of the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All), 11 (lines of emphasis of Unesco's programme for 1988-1989) and 12 (recommendations concerning the lines of emphasis of Unesco's Medium-Term Plan for 1990-1995).

The Committee decided to examine in plenary items 5 (Amendment of the Rules of Procedure), 6 (report on the execution of Unesco's programme since the fourth session of the Committee), 10 (preparation of the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport) and 14 (selection of prize-winners and date for the presentation of the Unesco Award for Distinguished Services to Physical Education and Sport).

11. The Committee approved the organization and timetable of work of the session.

GENERAL DISCUSSION

Item 5 of the agenda: Amendment of the Rules of Procedure

12. In resolution 32.1 adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-third session, concerning the terms of office of the Bureaux of certain governing councils and committees of intergovernmental programmes, it was decided 'to amend the provision in those statutes relating to the Bureaux of those intergovernmental councils and committees by the addition of the following sentence: "The members of the Bureau who are representatives of Member States of Unesco shall remain in office until a new Bureau has been elected"'. In accordance with the above-mentioned resolution, paragraph 3.1 of Rule 3 of the Rules of Procedure of the Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport was amended by the addition of the sentence quoted above.

Item 6 of the agenda: Report on the execution of Unesco's programme in the field of physical education and sport since the fourth session of the Committee

Item 8 of the agenda: Execution of the Approved Programme for 1986-1987

13. The Secretary of the Committee, the Acting Director of the Division of Educational Sciences, Contents and Methods of Education, reported on the execution of Unesco's programme since the fourth session of the Committee (item 6) up to the approved programme currently being implemented (item 8). He first drew the Committee's attention to the successive budgetary restrictions decided on by the Executive Board, which had led to the placing of certain activities in reserve following the withdrawal from the Organization, firstly of the United States of America, and

subsequently of the United Kingdom and Singapore and which had affected the programme for physical education and sport. On the other hand, he pointed out that the reductions made under the regular programme had been offsett by an increase in the participation programme by the use of extra-budgetary resources collected by FIDEPS and by offers of services. The Organization's action had also been aimed at strengthening co-operation with Member States and NGOs, and at the development of regional co-operation, particularly through decentralization to the Regional Offices. The kinds of activities undertaken included more especially the development of facilities, the preparation of a pluri-annual plan for training designed to avoid fragmentation of effort, and the exchange of information.

The Head of the Youth Division in the Social and Human Sciences Sector, told the Committee about the part played by young people in the construction of sports facilities in rural areas and on the outskirts of towns. He situated sport in the cultural context peculiar to each people. He said that sport was considered an integral part of youth activities in the Organization's programmes and that International Youth Year, which had ended with the Barcelona Congress, had been the occasion for special events and had led to recommendations connecting youth and sport. Finally, he stressed the role of sport in promoting peace and mutual understanding among peoples.

14. Four speakers took part in the discussion on this item. On behalf of the three parts of the Olympic Sports Movement that had decided to form a single delegation, the representative of the International Olympic Committee requested observer status for that Movement at the meetings of the Intergovernmental Committee. He then went on to outline the activities of the Movement and suggested areas in which it might co-operate with Unesco. These included informing the public by spreading the Olympic principles and those of the International Charter of Physical Education and Sport; undertaking and publishing studies; supporting the development of sport for all by organizing sports contests and competitions at an elementary level with very simple facilities; organizing world scientific congresses on sport, under the auspices of ICSSPE; and putting out audio-visual programmes and materials on subjects such as sports organization, administration, techniques and medicine. A feature of the Movement's activities was the provision of continuing assistance to the developing countries. Having been consulted by the Chairman, the Committee decided to grant observer status to the Olympic Sports Movement which is composed of the International Olympic Committee, the Association of National Olympic Committees, and the Associations of International Olympic Federations recognized by the IOC.

15. Reviewing the points dealt with in the working document, one speaker expressed regret that only one activity was concerned with the training of women trainers. With regard to exchanges of information and studies, he felt that Unesco could act as a prime mover in this field, and proposed that the findings of studies both old and new should be turned to account in developing training activities. Noting the beneficial effects of youth participation in the construction of low-cost sports facilities, he invited the Committee to study the conclusions and recommendations of the Barcelona Congress. He suggested that Unesco and WHO should join forces to ensure that the question of the prevention of drug abuse was given all the attention it deserved.

16. One speaker noted that other studies had been carried out in addition to those mentioned in the working document. He stated that his organization was undertaking a technical study on physical performance tests relating to boys and girls in the 9 to 17 age-group, and had organized a large number of congresses on sports science, half of them in developing countries. Another speaker gave a favourable assessment of the Organization's activities relating to physical education and sport. He made particular mention of the World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport, organized on the initiative of Unesco, which had been a great success in his country.

17. In reply to the above statements the representative of the Director-General said that they constituted a basis for future work. He pointed out that the validity of the studies needed to be borne out by further research before they were published. Their distribution also created problems, which might be solved by setting up data banks. He said that Unesco would like to be more closely associated with the preparation of the Congress of Sports Sciences to be held in Seoul in 1988. With regard to women and sport, the Director-General wished to receive suggestions from the Committee regarding, in particular, the preparation and execution of pilot projects in that field. The Director-General also wished to have instructions from the Intergovernmental Committee concerning the action to be taken on the recommendations of the Barcelona Congress, especially in the light of the cuts made in the youth programme during the preceding biennium.

Item 10 of the agenda: Preparation of the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport in 1988-1989

18. In his oral introduction to this item, the Secretary of the Committee noted that, in accordance with the resolution adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-third session, the Secretariat had begun preparing the

second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport. It would be for the next General Conference to give confirmation of the convening of that Conference. The Secretariat in the meantime wished to consult the Committee on the objectives and agenda of the Conference and to compile suggestions regarding its preparation, the most convenient dates and organizational procedures.

19. With regard to possible subjects for discussion by the second Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport, he informed the Committee that after consulting the non-governmental organizations concerned the Director-General had suggested including the following themes on the agenda:

development of physical education and sport in application of the International Charter of Physical Education and Sport;

the role of national authorities and contributions by non-governmental organizations in the promotion of physical education and sport;

the prevention of violence in sport;

greater participation in sport by women and by certain specific groups such as the elderly;

an increase in the resources of FIDEPS with a view to the international programme of several years' duration for the training of physical education and sports personnel, and international co-operation to promote physical education and sport in the cause of peace, international understanding and well-being.

20. As part of the preparations for the Conference, the Secretariat is planning to launch an international survey by questionnaire to be sent to Member States and specialist NGOs in order to make an assessment of the development of physical education and sport since the first Conference and to establish what needs to be done in this field.

21. Lastly, with regard to the date of the Conference, the Director-General hoped to receive the Committee's suggestions for submission at the next session of the General Conference. If the Conference were held in 1988 its conclusions could be taken into account in the preparation of the next Medium-Term Plan. As the Committee had itself recommended, he had suggested that the Conference should be held immediately before or after the sixth session of the Intergovernmental Committee.

22. Fifteen speakers took part in the discussions on this item of the agenda. Several speakers stressed that ten years after the first Conference of Ministers, the time had come to place physical education and sport in a broader and more modern framework and to give it a new impetus. All agreed that the time had come to hold the Conference and that it should be carefully prepared, particularly in respect of the themes to be addressed and the objectives to be assigned to the Conference.

23. One speaker said that the agenda would determine the impact that the Conference would have. Another proposed launching a consultation of Member States to decide on the themes to be addressed and to choose the place where the Conference would be held. However, a consensus was reached on the themes proposed by the Director-General. Having stressed the contribution that sports and sportsmen could make to peace, many speakers expressed the wish that emphasis would be placed on the theme of physical education and sport in the service of peace, international understanding, mutual respect and well-being. A speaker pointed to the example of sports competitions organized in his country about which a film had been made and shown at this fifth session. Several speakers proposed a debate on the fight against commercialization and professionalism which, according to one speaker, had an adverse effect on the exemplary role of high-level sports and contributed to luring elsewhere the best sportsmen and women and other sports personnel of Third World countries. He also proposed several times giving consideration to the fight against doping by working, for example, with doctors in order to detect drugs and by introducing tests before competitions. Two speakers expressed the wish that the Conference would discuss the struggle against apartheid in sports. Another proposed the proclamation of an International Year for the Promotion of the Practice of Sport by Women. Among other themes suggested, mention may be made of facilities, the training of key personnel, sports for all, the development of sports in the Third World and the maintenance of the ethical values of sport.

24. One speaker, seconding the Director-General's suggestion, proposed that the Conference be held in 1988. Another speaker considered that preparations for the Conference might possibly not be completed by that time, and several other speakers pointed out that important sports events were to take place in 1988, including the Olympic Games. They thought that the Conference might therefore be held at the very end of 1988, or in the spring of 1989. One speaker pointed out however that these dates would be too late if the Conference of Ministers were to make recommendations on the lines of emphasis of the next Medium-Term Plan. In that connection, one speaker said that his country was concerned to develop physical education and sport in rural areas and to establish centres for both culture and sport. He thought that activities of this kind could have a place in the lines of action included in Unesco's programme for 1988-1989.

25. The representative of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics offered to host the Conference in Moscow or in Leningrad and this proposal was supported by many speakers. Aware that 1988 was also the year of the Olympic Games,

he informed the Committee that the USSR State Committee for Physical Education and Sport would be ready to consider hosting the Conference of Ministers in 1989. One speaker raised the question of the financial implications of holding the Conference in Paris, while another suggested that there were possible hosts among developing countries.

26. As to the question of whether the sixth session of the Intergovernmental Committee and the Second International Conference of Ministers should be held one after the other, one speaker thought that as all the appropriate persons would be together on the spot, the Conference would be correspondingly more efficacious; another speaker, however, thought it preferable to dissociate the two meetings.

27. Replying to the discussion on this item, the Secretary of the Committee thanked the Soviet Union for its generous offer. He noted that it was the General Conference at its next session which would decide on the holding of the Second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport. He informed the Committee that in addition to the ongoing consultations, in particular with NGOs, the conclusions of certain regional meetings would also contribute to the efficient preparation of the Conference of Ministers. Lastly, he stressed the need for a recommendation from the Intergovernmental Committee on the holding of the Second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport.

28. The representative of the Director-General, in his turn, thanked the Soviet Union for its offer and gave assurances that it would be examined with the greatest attention. He finally thanked all the participants for the excellent spirit of understanding in which the discussions had taken place.

Item 14 of the agenda: Selection of prize-winners and date for presentation of the Unesco Award for Distinguished Services to Physical Education and Sport

29. The Secretary of the Committee began by recalling that the Unesco Award for Distinguished Services to Physical Education and Sport had been established by the Executive Board in pursuance of a recommendation adopted by the Committee at its fourth session. In accordance with the Board's decision, the Director-General had sent a circular letter to Member States in February 1986 inviting each of them to transmit to him the names of an institution or body that had made an outstanding contribution to physical education and sport for all and of a person who, by his or her active participation, had made a significant contribution to the development of physical education and sport.

Forty-six nominations had been received by the Secretariat, 23 in each of the categories provided for by the recommendation.

Those nominations had been communicated to the Bureau of the Committee which had made a selection from them. The Secretary of the Committee pointed out that there was nothing in the Regulations to prevent the conferral of several awards. He said that it would be desirable for there to be a discussion at a plenary meeting of the Committee to clarify the criteria for selecting individuals and institutions nominated for the award. He recalled lastly that once the prize-winners had been approved, a date would have to be decided on for the official presentation of the awards.

30. The Rapporteur-General of the Bureau reported to the Committee on the Bureau's preliminary deliberations concerning item 14 of the agenda. He stated that the Bureau felt that the criteria laid down by the Regulations were of a general character and remained subject to interpretation. In that connection and following the discussion that it had held, the Bureau thought it important that more precise criteria should be laid down, providing Member States with better guidance in their choice. The Bureau therefore invited the Committee to discuss the following:

possible elimination of nominations of official institutions (ministerial departments, government offices) and of State officials engaged in the field of physical education and sport;

necessity for all nominees to have international standing;

retention or otherwise of the criterion of geographical distribution for the conferring of the award.

Finally, the Bureau submitted the following nominations, including those of two women, to the Committee which, in accordance with the Regulations, constitutes the jury for the award of the diplomas:

Individual category:

Mrs Lieselott Diem (Federal Republic of Germany);

Mrs Zhang Hueilan (People's Republic of China);

Mr Abraham Ordia (Nigeria);

Institutional category:

Manuel Fajardo, Institute for Physical Culture (Cuba);

Department of Physical Education and Sport (Kuwait);

Team of organizers and trainers for the 1985 Czechoslovak Physical Culture Festival (Czechoslovakia).

Regarding the date for the official presentation of the diplomas, the Bureau suggested that the presentation should take place during the sixth session of the Intergovernmental Committee, or on any other appropriate occasion with the exception of one for which a similar ceremony was scheduled.

31. Three of the four speakers who discussed this item of the agenda considered that the criterion of geographical distribution should be maintained. Two of them felt that, as all the

nominations were undoubtedly of interest, the criterion of geographical distribution was legitimate and just. One of them added that the criterion could at least be kept to begin with and suggested that the Bureau should appoint a committee to examine the matter in greater detail since a distinction had to be made between physical education and sport. However, one of the speakers thought that the criterion of geographical distribution should not be kept because the awards were made by an intergovernmental committee.

32. Two speakers were in favour of eliminating public institutions since, as one of them said, their position was specific and did not depend on the merits of the individuals on whom it was wished to confer recognition by means of the Unesco official award.

33. The international standing of the candidates was a criterion which ought to be maintained in the view of the speakers who raised that point. One of them explained that, in his opinion, that requirement could disadvantage individuals or institutions from the Third World which were equally meritorious although they did not enjoy international recognition.

Nevertheless, the criterion had to be maintained because of Unesco's international character. The Secretary of the Committee said in that connection that the term international could be interpreted flexibly and could refer to influence beyond national frontiers at the regional or even the subregional level.

34. Regarding the date for the official presentation of the diplomas to the prize-winners, one speaker suggested that the ceremony should be held during the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport. The Chairman said that it would also be possible to establish a date separate from any other event. In that connection, the Secretary of the Committee described Unesco's experience with the award of prizes and distinctions such as the Fair Play Trophy, the Literacy Prize and the Prize for Peace Education. Ending the discussion on that point, the Chairman said that, in accordance with the Rules of Procedure of the Committee and in view of the opinions expressed, the Bureau reserved the right to determine the date of the official ceremony for the presentation of the diplomas.

35. As the list of speakers was completed without any new proposals being put forward regarding the list of prize-winners, the Chairman suggested that the candidates proposed by the Bureau should be approved by acclamation.

ADOPTION OF THE FINAL REPORT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Item 15 of the agenda

36. The Committee adopted the report on the items discussed by the plenary (with an amendment submitted by the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics).

37. The Committee then considered the report of Subcommittee I presented by the Secretariat and took due note of the amendments introduced by Nigeria and the Council of Europe. The report of Subcommittee II was presented by Mr W. Koenig, the Rapporteur (Federal Republic of Germany), and the Committee took due note of its contents, making no changes or amendemnts.

38. The Committee then turned its attention to six draft recommendations, four of which had been submitted by the two subcommittees. All the recommendations were adopted following amendments to three of them.

The recommendations dealt with:

(i) the lines of emphasis of Unesco's Programme for 1988-1989 and of the Medium-Term Plan for 1990-1995 in the field of physical education and sport;

(ii) the preparation of the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport, due to take place in 1988-1989;

(iii) the organization of a second World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All;

(iv) the preparation of the multidisciplinary study decided upon by the Executive Board on the origins and forms of violence in sports activities;

(v) the International Fund for the Development of Physical Education and Sport;

(vi) the official Unesco Award for Distinguished Services to Physical Education and Sport.

39. Under the terms of the latter recommendation, the Committee 'decided, in accordance with Rule 4 of the Regulations for the official Unesco award, to confer the award for 1986-1987 on the following prize-winners whose nominations were submitted by their governments to the Director-General:

Individuals:

Mrs Lieselott Diem (Federal Republic of Germany);

Dr (Mrs) Zhang Hueilan (People's Republic of China);

Mr Abraham Ordia (Nigeria);

Institutions:

the Manuel Fajardo Institute for Physical Culture (Cuba);

the Department of Physical Education and Sport (Kuwait)

the team of organizers and trainers for the 1985 Czechoslovak Physical Culture Festival (Czechoslovakia).

The Committee recommended that the possibility of officially presenting this award at the next session of the Executive Board should be considered.

40. Following the discussion on this item, the representative of the Director-General congratulated the Committee on behalf of the Assistant Director-General for Education on the work it had accomplished and thanked all the participants for the co-operation they had shown throughout the fifth session.

CLOSURE OF THE SESSION

Item 16 of the agenda

41. Following the adoption of the final report and recommendations, the Chairman gave the floor successively to the representatives of the different geographical groups so that they could express their groups' assessment of the Committee's fifth session. They all expressed satisfaction at the quality of the preparatory work carried out by the Secretariat and paid tribute to the efforts of all the staff who had contributed to the organization and smooth functioning of the session, as well as to the competence of the Director-General.

42. Taking the floor on behalf of the countries of Latin America and the Caribbean, Mr Alberto Juantorena (Cuba) noted with satisfaction the constructive atmosphere that had prevailed during the Committee's discussions, declaring that the conclusions and recommendations to which they had given rise clearly reflected the spirit of understanding and co-operation shown by participants. He emphasized that sport was particularly conducive to fraternal contacts between men and nations and made an outstanding contribution to the promotion of fellowship between peoples and the struggle for peace.

43. Mr Thomas Schmitt (Federal Republic of Germany) addressed the participants on behalf of the countries of Western Europe. After noting how fruitful collaboration within the Committee had been, he referred to the crucial importance of the role of sport for international understanding. He also thanked all the delegates for the spirit of confidence shown in their discussion of the items on the agenda.

44. On behalf of the Arab countries, Dr Essam Badawy (Arab Republic of Egypt) declared that physical education and sport were vital to humanity and that it was therefore necessary to mobilize all those forces that could play a part in their promotion. The Committee, in his view, had fulfilled the task entrusted to it and had made substantial progress as a result of the excellent quality of the various interventions and the wisdom with which the Chairman had guided the discussions at the fifth session.

45. Mr Du Hao Ran (People's Republic of China) took the floor on behalf of the countries of Asia. He underlined the spirit of solidarity that had prevailed throughout the session, at which the Committee had been able to take important decisions and, in particular, to discuss the next Medium-Term Plan. He warmly congratulated all concerned, particularly Chairman Osvaldo Otero.

46. Mr Nikolay Roussak (USSR), speaking on behalf of the countries of Eastern Europe, stated the view of the socialist delegations that the session had been held in a spirit of co-operation that had made it possible to achieve positive results and to consider measures for the development of sport in the countries of Asia, Africa and Latin America and for the promotion of the practice of sport by women. He stressed the role of sport in strengthening human fellowship and peace. If the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport were to be held in 1989 in the Soviet Union, the USSR State Committee for Physical Culture and Sports would do everything - he declared - to ensure that it fulfilled the aims assigned to it.

47. Mr Diadié Yacouba Dagnoko (Mali), expressing the views of the countries of Africa, said that the fifth session would be remembered for the quality of its work and the decisions it had taken. He declared himself moved by the honour done to his country and to the African group as a whole by his election as Rapporteur-General.

48. In his address (Annex IV), the Director-General began by congratulating the Committee on the high level of its discussions and the quality and relevance of the recommendations that had been put forward. He went on to note the prominent place sport currently occupied in most modern societies, whether as a leisure-time activity, entertainment or as an economic activity - the development of which aspect could lead to the disappearance of the world's heritage of games and traditional games. He drew attention to the fact that, while sport - like regard for the Olympic ideal - was an essential ingredient in understanding and tolerance, it could also lead to racial, political and economic confrontation and outbreaks of violence. Concerning the holding, during the next biennium, of a second Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport, he said that he had taken note of the Committee's recommendation and the invitation extended by Mr Roussak to host the Conference in Moscow or Leningrad. He also noted the wishes and suggestions expressed by the Committee regarding the organization of a second Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All, the promotion of more extensive participation by women and certain special groups in physical education activities and sport, and the multidisciplinary study requested by the Executive Board on the origins and forms of violence in sports activities. With regard to FIDEPS, he asked all participants to consider themselves as ambassadors with a view to a more effective mustering of resources. After welcoming the choice of the first prize-winners to which the Unesco Award for Distinguished Services to Physical Education and Sport would be made, he concluded: 'Allow me (...) to say how happy I am that, from beginning to end, this session has been distinguished by that spirit of mutual understanding, reciprocal respect and cross-frontier unity of purpose that is the very basis of Unesco's action and endows the

International Charter of Physical Education and Sport with its full significance'.

49. Closing the session, Chairman Osvaldo Otero said that the excellent co-operation with the Vice-Chairmen and the Rapporteur-General had enabled the session to be concluded successfully. He reviewed the main subjects dealt with, the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All, the study on the origins and forms of violence in sport, and the preparation of the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport. With regard to the conferring of the Unesco Award for Distinguished Services to Physical Education and Sport, he stressed the generous and altruistic attitude shown by the delegates in the vote and the recognition in the list of prize-winners of the importance of the role of women in physical and sporting activities. He said that he regarded physical education and sport not only as a right and as a means of developing healthy individuals but also as a link between individuals and peoples, established on the basis of a strict moral and ethical code and in an atmosphere of friendship and respect. Physical education and sport, he said, involved a perfect balance, and the individual who achieves such a balance educates himself by overcoming adversity and by respecting both his team-mates and opponents, without which there would be no sport.

Concluding, the Chairman of the Committee stated that he was happy to have participated in the session, which had strengthened his conviction that sport was an epitome of life itself - a bond of fellowship, recognition of efforts made to overcome difficulties and a source of understanding and pride. (The text of Mr Osvaldo Otero's address is contained in Annex V.)

REPORT OF SUBCOMMITTEE I

At its first meeting the Subcommittee elected as its Chairman Dr Ahmad Abdul-Rahman Al-Sarheed (Kuwait). At its second meeting it elected a Vice-Chairman, Mr Fernando Sánchez Banuelos (Spain). The Subcommittee entrusted the task of rapporteur to the Secretariat.

Item 13 of the agenda: International Fund for the Development of Physical Education and Sport (FIDEPS)

1. Subcommittee I devoted one meeting to consideration of item 13.

2. After inviting the participants to seek common solutions to the problems arising from the management of FIDEPS, the Chairman called on Mr Brunswic, Acting Director of the Fund and representative of the Director-General, to introduce Section VI of the main working document ED-86/CONF.202/3, which comprised two parts: the report on the Fund's activities and its future prospects, and the four annexes to the document.

As regards the report on activities, the representative of the Director-General emphasized the great paucity of financial contributions to FIDEPS, which had amounted to US $28,618 in 1977 and which, following a peak of $91,651 in 1982, had steadily decreased, falling to $12,965 in 1986. The interest on capital also dropped between 1985 and 1986 because of the fall in interest rates on the financial market.

The Fund was, consequently, in an alarming state and the Committee should face its responsibilities squarely. It was fortunate, however, that contributions in the form of services were equivalent to more than one million US dollars in 1986. The following should be added to all the contributions pledged in the working document: a second study mission for eight sports officials from four Member States of the Asia and Pacific region (September 1985), financed by Japan at an estimated cost of $40,000; and two other offers which were currently being studied. The Director-General's representative thanked the three Member States that had made financial contributions to the Fund's resources in 1986, mentioning them by name. With regard to training activities, he drew special attention to an exemplary operation that had taken the form of a training course, held outside the donor countries, for women coaches in different sports. Each candidate had undertaken to supervise a training course on returning to her country.

It would be desirable that other types of training should have the same multiplier effect, and that they should be followed by an evaluation. The representative of the Director-General informed the Committee that the Bureau, taking into account the inadequacy of the financial contributions, had decided at its last meeting to change the criteria for assistance so as to give priority to the training of sports instructors, and he hoped that contacts would be established with equipment manufacturers in order to meet the requirements for equipment and materials.

He pointed out that although following the invitation sent to Member States by the Committee to set up national committees, model statutes and objectives had been prepared and promising contacts made, many Member States had still not communicated their decisions.

The representative of the Director-General considered future prospects to be extremely sombre, but said that even if the promotional actions envisaged did not produce a solution in the immediate future, they gave hope for replenishing the Fund.

Although the Fund was likely to show a deficit in 1988, it was necessary to retain the Fund's administrative assistant, whose salary accounted for the bulk of management costs. A recommendation to that effect should be made to the Director-General.

He presented all the promotional action, some of which, like the issue of a special stamp to be affixed to entry tickets, the allocation of a percentage of television retransmission fees and lottery receipts to the Fund, were difficult to put into practice since they

required the approval of governments. Other activities could however be rapidly initiated, for example, the organization of a FIDEPS sports day, the twinning of towns for sports events, arousing the interest of leading sports figures and the joint publication of an anthology of texts taking their inspiration from sport. The Committee should express its opinion on these activities and provide guidelines for the Secretariat.

Having regard to the international programme of several years' duration for the training and further training of key physical education and sports personnel, he stated that offers of contributions in the form of services from Member States would be a better response to the needs of developing States. An initial outline of this programme was submitted to the Committee. The representative of the Director-General underlined the usefulness of the talks being held with the Olympic Sports Movement, which should result in the establishment of a training plan for key personnel for which financial contributions would be sought jointly - in particular from private firms.

In concluding, the representative of the Director-General asked the Committee to propose practical solutions to improve the situation of FIDEPS, to state which of the Fund's activities it regarded as having priority and to give its opinion on the implementation of the master training programme of several years duration.

3. Several speakers congratulated the Secretariat on the quality and detail of the report on the activities of FIDEPS. They particularly appreciated the work that had been done by the Fund despite the precariousness of its resources, and expressed their gratitude to the Director-General for the particularly innovative promotional activities suggested by the Secretariat. They called for an in-depth discussion on efforts to increase the Fund's resources.

4. One speaker expressed the view that the fellowships offered by certain Member States did not always meet the needs of beneficiary developing countries.

5. Two speakers proposed the organization of sporting events in each country, notably within the framework of the World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All, the receipts of which would be paid in to FIDEPS.

6. The representative of the Director-General replied that the Committee could make a recommendation to that effect.

7. Six speakers regretted that the Fund did not make the full use of the publicity media that would allow it to increase its resources. One speaker suggested that advertising material (including radio and television commercials) could be prepared to support appeals for voluntary contributions. Another invited the Secretariat to use all the modern publicity media, perhaps asking well-known sporting personalities for their assistance.

One speaker proposed that the Fund publish a brochure on all the activities to promote sports that were being organized in Member States; Unesco would thus serve as a bridge linking all the countries and enabling each to benefit from the experience of the others. Other possibilities were also mentioned, such as the issue of stamps, and poster campaigns.

One speaker wished that a newsletter could be sent by the Director-General to Member States.

8. The representative of the Director-General replied that three circular letters had already been sent to Member States with little effect, no doubt because sport was not considered by most governments to be a national or international priority, and also because of disparities among governmental structures in the field of sports. The representative of the Director-General invited delegates to propose more effective strategies involving, for example, the network of associative movements.

9. One speaker however expressed the view that the idea of circular letters should not be given up.

10. Information documents were proposed to the Committee: the representative of the Council of Europe delivered to the Secretariat for distribution a document on access to and use of sports and leisure facilities by disabled persons.

11. Some speakers announced financial contributions and contributions in the form of services from their States to FIDEPS. The delegate of the Republic of Korea announced that his country would contribute US $10,000 to the Fund for 1986 in addition to the $30,000 already contributed since 1983. He hoped that this initiative would be an example to other Member States. In addition, the Republic of Korea had made available to other countries the services of specialists who had conducted seminars; this would be continued.

The representative of the German Democratic Republic laid emphasis on the fundamental importance of the training of key personnel. He referred to his country's contribution in this field. In 1987, two fellowships for the training of coaches would be offered to Member States.

The delegate of the Soviet Union considered that FIDEPS should make it a priority to train specialists and trainers. His country proposed a programme of co-operation over four years, amounting to the equivalent of 850,000 roubles, each annual section of which would make it possible to: train ten people for six months in various sporting activities and another ten people for 30 days (training courses with specialists: coaches, doctors ...); also to send out five qualified specialists to different countries and to organize five seminars for specialists in physical education for all (20 people for a fortnight).

Another speaker called for a study on ways and means of developing multilateral aid.

12. Three speakers expressed enthusiasm for the project for World Festivals of Games, Sports and Traditions dealt with in Annex IV of the main working document (ED-86/CONF.202/3).

The first considered that the project was in line with Unesco's basic objectives and conferred a truly universal dimension on physical activities and sport, drawing its inspiration from the oldest and most deep-rooted achievements of civilizations. He stressed the concept of a festival and its powers of communication.

The second speaker, after describing the World Peace Games, sports events with a cultural and humanitarian slant, made a proposal for co-operation on the World Festival and for assistance in promoting FIDEPS in conjunction with the United Towns Organization.

A third speaker, after supporting the World Festival project, added that the latter and the Paris/Gao/Dakar marathon project provided opportunities for different groups to work together and in so doing to lay the basis for national FIDEPS committees.

13. Two speakers proposed associating private companies financially with the Fund's activities.

14. Two speakers hoped that effective measures would be taken to promote women's participation in sport; one of them proposed organizing a women's rally and the other suggested a study on women's approach to sport (sports selected or rejected, for what reasons), leading to recommendations proposing ways and means of increasing women's participation.

15. One speaker referred to the problem of facilities and the possibility of creating them locally.

16. At the end of the debate, the representative of the Director-General again expressed the Organization's gratitude to all the countries that had made contributions to the Fund.

Among the interesting suggestions made to FIDEPS, he mentioned in particular the proposal to organize an international year for the promotion of the practice of sport by women.

Replying to delegates' queries, he informed the Committee of the studies under way on the design of low-cost multisport facilities using local materials in the developing countries and of Unesco's programmes designed to encourage the industrial-scale manufacture in the developing countries of educational equipment and materials and various kinds of furniture. FIDEPS, in conjunction with the Olympic Sports Movement, was to undertake a fund-raising campaign, chiefly among private companies.

He noted with satisfaction the support of many speakers for the World Festivals of Games, Sports and Traditions described in Annex IV of the main working document, which would now have to be carried into effect.

In conclusion, the representative of the Director-General again drew attention to the need for FIDEPS to have intermediaries in each Member State: national committees that could help to achieve the Fund's objectives through their greater familiarity with local conditions and their approaches to private companies in their country.

Item 9 of the agenda: Consideration of the multidisciplinary study of the origins and forms of violence in sports activities decided upon by the Executive Board

17. The Subcommittee devoted a meeting to item 9.

18. The Chairman introduced this item by referring to the regrettable events that had occurred at the Heysel stadium, which had given rise to a large number of studies on the search for ways of putting an end to such excesses.

19. The representative of the Director-General emphasized that this item was one of the most sensitive questions submitted to the Subcommittee. Following the incidents recalled by the Chairman, the Executive Board had wished to make available to Member States and sports circles a multidisciplinary study on the origins and forms of violence in sports activities, although Unesco had already undertaken action to combat violence (participation in the award of the Fair Play Trophy, Committee on the violation of sports ethics, apartheid and doping).

With this in view, the Secretariat had requested an outline study from the International Committee Against Violence in Sport. As the study was presenting problems due to its interdisciplinary character and the need to give it a scientific foundation, the Secretariat was thinking of convening a committee of experts in November 1986. It would be desirable, however, for the members of the Committee also to make a contribution beforehand. An additional draft was being prepared with the assistance of the International Olympic Movement with a view to the teaching of the Olympic spirit, using in particular the International Charter of Physical Education and Sport and the Olympic Charter. The representative of the Director-General spoke of a new idea suggested by the Director-General during the most recent ceremony for the presentation of the Fair Play trophies, namely, the introduction of moral preparation for teams and the public before any large-scale sports event.

20. The representative of the International Committee Against Violence in Sport (ICAVS) then gave further information about the study entrusted to it by the Secretariat. Faced with two conceptions of the origins of violence in sport, namely, that violence was bound up with human nature or that it resulted

from a particular social and cultural context, the authors of the study had opted for the first approach. He felt that punishment, essential though it was, did not solve the problem, since it did not address the causes. These could be eradicated only through education.

21. Many speakers considered that violence in sport was a long-established phenomenon but that it had been amplified by the media owing to the tremendous audience covered. Some speakers stressed the responsibility of the sports press.

One speaker emphasized the fact that violence assumed different forms from one country to another. Prevention and preventive education were not the exclusive province of the minister responsible for sport, and could be given effect only through the co-operation of all the different ministerial bodies in a country.

Another speaker stressed the need to remodel sports facilities, which did not at the present time make it possible to avoid incidents.

22. One delegate proposed that the phenomenon of violence be studied from an anthropological angle. Since violence was a breach of ethics it threatened to deprive sport of its function, which was essential to the proper functioning of society. For firms that supported sports events, acts of violence were bad publicity and might induce them to withdraw their support. He suggested that a survey be conducted on the effects of the measures taken so far by the different States. The Council of Europe would forward documents on the Eurropean Convention on Spectator Violence and Misbehaviour at Sports Events and in particular at Football Matches.

23. One speaker proposed that the teaching of peace and fair play be included in school curricula and suggested that a study be carried out in all countries with Unesco's assistance, making use of all the audio-visual media and including the making of a film on the positive aspects of sport.

24. One speaker stressed the risks for society of an adverse impression being created by sport on the general public. He invited all States to communicate to Unesco studies conducted on violence in sport.

25. The representative of the Director-General noted that the different statements had revealed the complexity of the problem, and thought that the Committee should trust the Secretariat and ICAVS to bring the study to a successful conclusion.

He took note of the intentions to pledge contributions stated by various speakers, which would make it possible to bring together the maximum number of studies carried out in different regions.

The conclusions of the study undertaken by the Secretariat would be submitted to the planned conference of ministers and senior officials.

26. The Subcommittee considered its report at its meeting on 13 October 1986 and adopted it unanimously with the amendments. It also considered the two draft recommendations relating to items 9 and 13 of the agenda respectively and decided to transmit them for approval to the plenary meeting of the Committee with the appropriate amendments.

REPORT OF SUBCOMMITTEE II

1. Subcommittee II was responsible for examining the items of the agenda 'Evaluation of the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport For All and the possibility of organizing a second Week' (item 7); 'Exchange of views on the lines of emphasis of Unesco's Programme in the field of physical education and sport in 1988-1989' (item 11); and the 'Recommendations concerning the lines of emphasis of the Medium-Term Plan for 1990-1995 in the field of physical education and sport' (item 12).

2. At its first meeting the Subcommittee elected Mr Alberto Juantorena (Cuba) as its Chairman. At the second meeting Mr Ngalama Kalaluka (Zambia) and Mr Walfried Koenig (Federal Republic of Germany) were elected respectively Vice-Chairman and Rapporteur.

3. The Subcommittee devoted two meetings on 9 October 1986 to consideration of the three items which were referred to it.

Item 7 of the agenda: Evaluation of the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All and the possibility of organizing a second Week

4. A member of the Secretariat introduced Part II of document ED-86/CONF.202/3 concerning the organization of the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All in the Member States. Recalling that as a follow-up to Recommendation No. 2 adopted by the Committee at its fourth session the Secretariat had addressed a questionnaire to Member States and a number of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations seeking information on the activities and the impact of the first week and proposals regarding the organization of a second week, he said that to date the Secretariat had received replies from 36 Member States, four of which had not organized that event. The replies received reported mass

participation by populations, all social groups having been involved through various types of institutions and associations and a wide variety of events. In most of the Member States which replied to the questionnaire the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport had been organized as part of International Youth Year in 1985, while in several other countries it had coincided with national events; hence the need, stressed in several replies, to leave it up to each country to decide on the most appropriate date to celebrate the event.

5. Stressing the importance attached to the first week by a large number of Member States, which regarded its organization as a way of making large strata of the population aware of the value of participating in sport, and also of obtaining information on their physical fitness and sports performance, the representative of the Secretariat informed the delegates that all the replies received suggested continuing that activity. He invited the Committee to inform the Director-General, through an appropriate recommendation, of its point of view on the advisability of organizing a second world week of physical fitness and sport.

6. Speaking at the opening of the discussions, the Assistant Director-General for Education noted that the first World Week of Physical Education and Sport had been an initiative of the Committee and that its results appeared satisfactory from several points of view. He hoped that the Member States which had organized a week would inform delegates of their experience, particularly as regards the work of awareness-heightening, population participation, the most salient activities, the difficulties encountered and an overall evaluation of the event. Exchange of experience would enable the Committee to make a more thorough evaluation of the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All and to decide on the advisability of recommending the continuation of the experiment.

7. Seven delegates and three observers took part in the discussion.

8. Relating the experience of his country, where the operation had been called 'School games', one delegate stressed that on that occasion officials had broken with the usual routine by selecting as the target group the school population between 10 and 13 years of age, and by dissociating the operation from the physical education courses in the school curricula. The aim had been to enable the educational community to give children a special opportunity, in an out-of-school context, to express themselves and to place their personal abilities at the service of the team, the class or the school. The operation, in which 30,000 children representing 1,662 classes took part, also had a cultural dimension which, without removing the 'competitive' factor, introduced the concept of performance in the service of the group. Referring to the dramatic events which had recently tarnished the image of sport, turning it into a machine of destruction, he hoped that public and private authorities would do their best to keep the practice of sport in an educational and cultural context, and that at every level of action they would be able to take joint action both in their individual interest and in the interest of the communities in which sports events take place.

9. Another delegate thought that the idea of organizing the first week had come at an opportune time, given the problems of rising tension, immorality and emotional stress in the modern world. Describing the organization of the week in his country, he said that target groups should include youth people and adults of both sexes, a theme should be selected which would mobilize the population, the media should be used judiciously and parents and insurance companies should be associated with the event. He also stressed the advantage of including traditional games in the week's activities and the need to make sure that activities were followed up so that the population would continue to participate in sports. Considering that the organization of a second week was essential, he hoped that a special theme would be chosen for it in order to attract the attention and stimulate the interest of the public.

10. One delegate provided information on the sports events organized each year in his country and referred in particular to those for physically and mentally handicapped persons. As the promotion of physical education and sport was an integral part of education, he called for the Olympic spirit to be encouraged in schools, for the organization of campaigns for fair play, and an end to all forms of aggressiveness in sport and, lastly, an increase in the range of leisure activities.

11. In one Member State the organizers had devised standards enabling each individual to test his or her physical fitness without consulting a specialist. The delegate of that country, while stressing the need to organize a second Week, proposed compiling statistics to prove that increased public participation in the Week led to an increase in the number of persons regularly engaging in sports activities. It was particularly desirable to carry out such studies in countries reporting mass public participation in the activities organized during the first Week. Another delegate considered that the replies of Member States should be reviewed in order to devise an organizational 'approach' for Unesco which could offer guidance to countries that had been unable to organize the first Week.

12. The speakers unanimously supported the organization of a second World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All. Some delegates stressed in this connection the need to develop international co-operation to assist those

Member States that were least capable of organizing such events.

Item 11 of the agenda: Exchange of views on the lines of emphasis of Unesco's Programme in the field of physical education and sport in 1988-1989

13. The Secretariat introduced Part IV of document ED-86/CONF.202/3 corresponding to this item of the agenda. Recalling that the 1988-1989 biennium was the last biennial phase of the period covered by the Organization's second Medium-Term Plan, the representative of the Secretariat informed the delegates of the activities envisaged, most of which followed directly on from the action undertaken by Unesco in the two previous biennia. He recalled that it was also envisaged to convene a second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport, which would be immediately preceded by the sixth session of the Committee.

14. The representative of the Secretariat referred to the pilot projects for girls and women which he thought might be launched in some countries. He stated that Unesco was expecting to continue co-operating with specialized non-governmental organizations with the aim of providing Member States with technical support, particularly with regard to the training of teachers and sports officials. He then informed the delegates of the existence of a project for the establishment of an international data bank on sports science, concerning which the Committee would be required to give its opinion. The Director-General of Unesco hoped that the Committee would notify him, by means of an appropriate recommendation, of its views regarding the measures envisaged, the priorities to be established, possible new activities and any other considerations or suggestions that might facilitate preparation of the Draft Programme and Budget for 1988-1989.

15. One delegate asked whether Unesco had at its disposal data concerning the respective importance assigned to physical education and sport at school, and information concerning the number of countries that had developed the former and whose experience could be offered as an example. He felt that physical education, even when it was included in school curricula, was often placed at a disadvantage in comparison with sport, and that this problem should be examined at the proposed ministerial conference. One possible corrective measure might be the organization of seminars or workshops to assist countries in promoting physical education at school by practical means. This point of view was supported by another delegate. In his reply, the representative of the Secretariat stated that such data did not exist but that the desired assistance could be envisaged in connection with the strengthening of international co-operation, if interested Member States so requested.

16. On the invitation of the Chairman of the Subcommittee, the representative of the Inernational Council of Sport Science and Physical Education (ICSSPE) spoke of the projected establishment of an international data bank on sport under the sponsorship of Unesco, based on the data bank existing in Canada. Outlining the background to the project, she mentioned the support given by various bodies and international sports meetings to converting the Canadian Sports Information Centre into an international data bank, with among other aims that of avoiding the prohibitive cost and extra work that would be entailed by building up 'from scratch' a supra-national clearing-house on sport. The projected data bank currently possessed over 190,000 references from the English-speaking countries. Some 40 national sports documentation centres had already undertaken to participate in it under bilateral agreements. Financial assistance was necessary to help the developing countries to contribute to the strengthening of this data bank and to benefit from its services. The speaker hoped that the Committee would approve this project by placing it under Unesco's sponsorship, and that it would recommend that the Government of Canada increase its financial support so as to ensure its continuity. The ICSSPE representative thought that Unesco could also provide support for the project so as to allow the national information centres of the developing countries to participate in it.

17. The Secretariat recalled that the project for a data bank was one of the proposals made in the framework of the preparation of Unesco's programme for 1988-1989. While the ICSSPE representative had expressed the hope that the project would be supported, the Director-General for his part was waiting for the Committee to adopt a clear position for or against the project and its extension to other countries.

18. The Subcommittee unanimously decided in favour of the project, and decided to recommend that it be included in the Organization's programme for 1988-1989.

Item 12 of the agenda: Recommendations on the major lines of emphasis of the Medium-Term Plan for 1990-1995 in the field of physical education and sport

19. Introducing Part V of document ED-86/CONF.202/3, relating to this agenda item, the representative of the Secretariat pointed out that by the terms of its Statutes, the Committee was responsible, among other things, for 'guiding and supervising the planning and implementation of Unesco's programme of activities in the field of physical education and sport, in particular by recommending priorities among the various activities or groups of activities

constituting the programme'. He said that in view of this provision the Director-General hoped that the Committee would inform him, by adopting an appropriate recommendation, of the problems it considered as having priority, of the objectives and themes which would assist in solving them, of the main forms it considered that future action should take and of the options to be selected and the order of priorities.

20. The suggestions that follow were briefly mentioned by the Secretariat as possible subjects for discussion: the convening of the Second International Conference of Ministers and the importance of the subjects to be discussed at that Conference for the preparation of the next Medium-Term Plan; problems relating to drug abuse; the development and promotion of sport for all and ways of ensuring the participation of all sectors of the population, including prisoners; the training of sports administrators and managers, including women, and especially voluntary workers; the production of low-cost sports equipment; and the participation of young people in promoting physical education and sport.

21. In the discussion that followed several suggestions were made by delegates.

22. One delegate considered that, in view of the increasing development of commerce and its influence on sport and, given the dimensions it could assume by the end of the century, a study on the 'relationship between economics, sport and States' should be included in the next Medium-Term Plan. The same delegate, mentioning the new problem that had arisen in his country as a result of the conflict between sport and the protection of the environment, which was sometimes resolved by closing down facilities or cancelling sports events, suggested that this problem, if it turned out to be of concern to several countries, might be studied in the context of the Medium-Term Plan.

23. One speaker expressed the hope that the problem of ethics in sport, which in his view was of wider application than the problem of violence or drug abuse, would be studied as such. Another speaker stressed the need to bear in mind ongoing concerns such as peace, individual and collective development and so on. A third recommended stressing the links between the Committee, on the one hand, and the governmental and non-governmental organizations, on the other; the need for exchanges of views and experience among Member States and assistance to the poorer countries; the adoption of programmes embracing all sectors of the population, including the handicapped; the importance of various types of events that would attract public interest, such as a day or week of physical education or of physical fitness and sport, to encourage individuals and groups to practise sport regularly; the training of instructors, etc.

24. One observer, supported by a delegate, referred to the proposed timetable for the preparation of the next Medium-Term Plan, and asked whether it might not be necessary, particularly in view of the influence that the International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport could have on the development of sport and Unesco's future action, to ensure that the results of its work were put to good effect. The representative of the Director-General, in reply said that this timetable took everything into consideration and obviously allowed use to be made of the results and recommendations of all the major activities of Unesco in all fields, including ministerial conferences.

25. One delegate expressed the view that the growing influence of economics on sport could accentuate disparities between the developed and the developing countries. On the other hand the difficult financial situation facing the Organization made it necessary to examine all the themes proposed in order to determine priorities for inclusion in the next Medium-Term Plan. The representative of the Secretariat, referring to this statement, hoped that the Committee would adopt a specific recommendation on this matter.

26. Some speakers laid emphasis on the distinction, which they considered necessary, between Unesco's activities and those of non-governmental organizations such as sporting or Olympic federations and associations. An observer suggested that reference should not be made to 'prisoners' but, more generally, to 'disadvantaged groups'. He supported the objective of training sports administrators and managers, especially voluntary staff, and laid emphasis on the importance that should be attributed to promotional activities, especially for the developing countries.

27. One observer said he was concerned by the problem of excessive participation in sport, which did a great deal of harm. Considering that the promotion of sport should go hand in hand, as far as Unesco was concerned, with a denunciation of those adverse effects, he proposed, as a priority which deserved to be considered, reflection on the relationship between the practice of physical and sports activities and health.

28. The Subcommittee adopted its report at its meeting on 13 October 1986 and decided to submit the two draft recommendations it had considered and amended, relating to items 7, 11 and 12 of the agenda, to the Committee for its approval.

III. MEETINGS OF THE BUREAU OF THE COMMITTEE

1. In accordance with the provisions of 23 C/Resolution 32.1 adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-third session, the outgoing Bureau met on 7 October 1986 before the expiry of its term of office. The Assistant Director-General for Education thanked the members present for the work they had accomplished; the Bureau then considered the question of the election of the Bureau.

2. The new Bureau of the Committee met on 7, 8, 10 and 13 October 1986 under the chairmanship of Mr Osvaldo Otero (Argentina) and in the presence of the five Vice-Chairmen, Mr Du Hao Ran (People's Republic of China), Mr Alberto Juantorena (Cuba), Dr Essam Badawy (Arab Republic of Egypt), Mr Ferdy R. Imesch (Switzerland), Mr Nikolay Roussak (USSR) and the Rapporteur-General, Mr Diadié Yacouba Dagnoko (Mali).

3. At the first meeting, the Bureau considered and approved the provisional agenda, the provisional timetable and the organization of the work of the session. It considered among other things the establishment of two subcommittees and the distribution of the agenda items among the plenary and the subcommittees.

4. The second meeting was devoted to consideration of the nomination papers of the candidates submitted by their governments for the Unesco Award for Distinguished Services to Physical Education and Sport.

The Bureau decided to select one candidate per region irrespective of category and then agreed on the list of six prize-winners which, in accordance with Article 6, paragraph 3, of the Regulations for the official Unesco Award, was submitted to the Committee for its approval. With regard to the date for the presentation of the diplomas of honour, the Bureau proposed that it should be scheduled for the spring session of the Executive Board of Unesco.

5. At its third meeting, the Bureau considered the eleven draft recommendations; it set up drafting groups to produce composite versions of the drafts dealing with the same items in order to facilitate a consensus. An exchange of views then took place on arrangements for the closing meeting.

6. At its fourth session, the Bureau reviewed the six draft recommendations prepared by the drafting groups.

The Bureau arranged that its next meeting should take place in June 1987 and that it should consider the preparation of the second Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport and the Committee's activities report for the twenty-fourth session of the General Conference and should participate in the official presentation of the diplomas of honour.

7. The Chairman, Osvaldo Otero, expressed his gratitude to the Secretariat for its help and its contribution to the smooth functioning of the work of the session. He also thanked the other members of the Bureau for their frank and efficient collaboration.

8. The representative of the Director-General expressed the Organization's gratitude to the members of the Bureau, particularly the Chairman of the Committee, for the quality of their work, the spirit of co-operation they had shown throughout the Committee's session, the positive and encouraging results achieved and the statement of programme lines of emphasis for the years to come.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1

The lines of emphasis of Unesco's Programme for 1988-1989 and of the Medium-Term Plan for 1990-1995 in the field of physical education and sport

The Committee,

Recalling the second Medium-Term Plan, approved by the General Conference at its fourth extraordinary session, which includes Programme V.4 concerning the promotion of physical education and sport,

Recalling Recommendation No. 3, adopted at the fourth session of the Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport, concerning Programme V.4, 'Promotion of physical education and sport' for 1986-1987,

Taking account of the preliminary considerations of the Director-General of Unesco regarding the Draft Programme and Budget for 1988-1989 (document 125 EX/5, Part III),

Recalling resolution 5.2 adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-third session concerning the preparatory work necessary for convening, during the 1988-1989 biennium, the second Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport,

Expressing its keen satisfaction at what has been achieved by the Organization since its fourth session, particularly in the field of physical education and sport, and at the progress made in the implementation of regional and international co-operation and collaboration with specialized non-governmental organizations,

Reaffirming the paramount importance attached by Unesco to the development of physical education and sport as an integral part of lifelong education in accordance with the International Charter of Physical Education and Sport,

Requests the Director-General to give priority to the following in drawing up the Draft Programme and Budget for 1988-1989 (document 24 C/5) and preparing the third Medium-Term Plan:

(a) intensification of physical education and sport for all;

(b) training of specialists, teachers, administrative staff and instructors in the field of physical education and sport, especially in developing countries, in the light of national pirorities;

and, in formulating the corresponding programme, to promote:

1. recognition of physical education as a vital component in lifelong education, designing programmes to suit each sector of the population, especially children, women, the aged, disabled persons and all disadvantaged groups both in educational and para-educational institutions;

2. access for all countries, and especially developing countries, to technical advisory services and financial resources, for the construction and manufacture of appropriate quality, low-cost sports facilities and equipment;

3. exchanges of experience, information, methods, techniques and programmes among all countries;

4. co-operation between Unesco and governmental and non-governmental organizations, in accordance with the Organization's Rules and Regulations, at national, regional and interregional levels;

5. projects of special benefit to developing countries, whose implementation produces a multiplier effect;

6. plans for studies that include short- and long-term guidelines for achieving objectives in the field of physical education and sport to assist Member States in designing national programmes;

7. implementation by every possible means of the International Charter of Physical Education and Sport and the Olympic ideal as contained in the Olympic Charter;

8. research and studies on physical education and sport in general, bearing in mind the social, economic and cultural factors affecting their development;

9. protection and development of traditional games, dances and sports, when promoting physical education and sport, as a means of preserving the cultural heritage;

10. development of appropriate teaching in the field of physical education and sport with a view to protecting the environment and natural sites;

11. safeguarding the ethical values of sport and preventing harmful influences, such as doping and violence;

12. co-operation between Unesco, the Member States and non-governmental organizations for the preparation at the international level of the establishment of a computerized data exchange system in the field of physical education and sport.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2

Preparation of the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport in 1988-1989

The Committee,

Mindful of the contribution made by the first International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport to the solution of contemporary world problems in the field of physical education and sport,

Considering the major changes that have occurred in the field of physical education and sport since the first International Conference,

Considering Recommendation No. 6 concerning the holding of a second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport, adopted at the fourth session of the Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport, and resolution 5.3 adopted by the General Conference at its twenty-third session, inviting the Director-General 'to carry out the necessary preparatory work for convening, during the 1988-1989 biennium, the second International Conference ... of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport',

Noting with satisfaction the proposal made by the delegation of the USSR at the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport that the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport be organized in the Soviet Union, and its offer to cover any additional costs occasioned by the holding of the conference away from Unesco Headquarters,

1. Considers that the holding of the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport is important for the subsequent development of physical education and sport and for inter- national co-operation in that field;

2. Requests the General Conference:

   (a) to decide to convene the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport;

   (b) to entrust the Bureau of the Committee in association with the Director-General with carrying out the preparations for the Conference;

(c) to invite independent international non-governmental organizations specialized in the field of physical education and sport to co-operate in the preparation of the Conference;

3. Recommends to the Director-General that he conduct the necessary preparatory operations to resolve organizational questions, decide on the most suitable dates for holding the Conference at the beginning of 1989 and establish the agenda for the Conference, assigning priority to the following themes:

- the safeguarding of the ethical values of sport and the contribution of those values to society, the quality of life, peace and mutual understanding;
- implementation of the International Charter for Physical Education and Sport;
- international co-operation and consultation in the field of physical education and sport;
- prevention of influences harmful to sport, such as doping and violence;
- promotion of physical education and sport for women, the elderly and the disabled.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 3

Second World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All

The Commitee,

Taking into account the report containing the evaluation of the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All submitted to the Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport at its fifth session in accordance with Recommendation No. 2 adopted by the Committee at its fourth session,

Considering that the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All proved to be an effective means of obtaining participation by various sections of the population in physical culture and sport,

Considering the desire expressed by governments that this event be continued,

Expressing its concern at the fact that, in some regions, opportunities have still not been provided for all sections of the population to participate in physical education and sport,

Convinced that a second World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All would contribute to the wider involvement of all sections of the population in physical culture activities and sport,

Recommends to the Director-General:

1. that provision be made for the organization of a second World Week of physical Fitness and Sport for All in the near future in order to maintain and develop the effects of the first Week;

2. that due attention be paid, during the preparations for the holding of the Week, to giving wide publicity to its aims, using the means available to Unesco;

3. that a study be made of the possibility of holding an International Year of Physical Fitness and Sport for All, and that a report on that subject be submitted to the Committee at its sixth session;

Recommends to Member States:

1. that they sensitize, with the help of specialized governmental and non-governmental organizations, the greatest possible number of people in order to secure large-scale participation by all sections of the population, highlighting sports which are rooted in the tradition of the country and the practice of sport by women;

2. that they make the Week the high point and the culmination of ongoing sports activities;

3. that, within the framework of the Week, they organize sports events as far as possible in collaboration with other Member States in order to pool their experiences;

4. that they communicate to the Director-General all information concerning the organization and impact of the Week to enable him to make his evaluation;

5. that they allocate as far as possible a proportion of the revenue from one day of sports events in the course of the Week to the International Fund for the Development of Physical Education and Sport (FIDEPS).

RECOMMENDATION NO. 4

Preparation of the multidisciplinary study decided on by the Executive Board on the origins and forms of violence in sports activities

The Committee,

Conscious of the gravity of the problems of violence in sports activities,

Welcoming decision 5.2.1 adopted by the Executive Board of Unesco at its 122nd session,

Invites Member States to transmit to the Director-General any studies in their possession on the problems of violence in sports activities;

Recommends that the Director-General should:

1. pursue the study by organizing a consultation of experts from various fields;

2. provide in the study for recommendations concerning practical measures for the prevention of violence that can be put into effect by educators, instructors responsible for sports institutions and organizers of national and international sports meetings.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 5

International Fund for the Development of Physical Education and Sport

The Committee,

Recalling the International Charter of Physical Education and Sport, approved by all the Member States of Unesco,

Considering in particular Article 10.3 of that Charter, which seeks to 'encourage the development of physical education and sport throughout the world', and the International Fund for the Development of Physical Education and Sport (FIDEPS),

Bearing in mind the World Decade for Cultural Development, the implementation of which will involve Unesco in the first place,

Stressing that physical activities and sport are aspects of culture and of a people's heritage and means of expression,

Recognizing the fundamental role conferred on Unesco by its Constitution both in the promotion and defence of cultural identities and in the development of education, including physical education, in the world,

Expressing its satisfaction with the initiatives and actions already undertaken by the Organization in this field, which in many respects merit the utmost consideration,

Regretting, however, that the financial resources available are not commensurate with the most basic aspirations and requirements in this field,

Invites the Member States and international governmental and non-governmental organizations concerned to provide unconditional technical and financial support for the projects proposed by Unesco with a view to making available supplementary resources for international, regional and local activities corresponding to or inspired by the objectives of the relevant Unesco programmes;

Stresses with satisfaction, in particular, the interest in this connection of the organization of world festivals of games, sports and traditions such as are suggested in Annex IV to the main working document prepared by the Director-General;

Encourages, therefore all the proposals coming within the framework of FIDEPS;

Recommends to the Director-General that he include this activity among the priority projects to be promoted during the current biennium and subsequent biennia and continue to make available to FIDEPS by every possible means the personnel needed to run it;

Expresses the wish, moreover, that every effort be made by Unesco, by its National Commissions and by special committees to interest the mass media, advertising agencies and private undertakings, firms and companies, especially those concerned with sport, in the activities aimed at promoting physical education and sport, FIDEPS, and all compatible initiatives such as interregional circuits, marathons, etc;

Appeals, finally to universally recognized personalities in the world of sport, especially sportsmen and sportswomen well-known for their performance in high-level competitive events, to lend their names to the effort to increase public awareness of present needs in this field and of what must be done to meet them.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 6

Official Unesco Award for Distinguished Services to Physical Education and Sport

The Committee,

Recalling Recommendation 7, which it adopted at its fourth session and in which it requested the Director-General to establish the award as early as was compatible with Unesco's procedures, and having considered document ED-86/CONF.202/3-VII submitted to it by the Director-General on this matter,

Welcoming the establishment of this award,

Noting with satisfaction the interest aroused by this award in Member States,

Anxious to facilitate the selection of candidates by Member States,

Anxious to impart a solemn character to the conferring of this award,

Congratulates the Director-General on the praiseworthy efforts made to establish this award;

Has decided, in accordance with Rule 4 of the Regulations for official Unesco award, to confer the award for 1986-1987 on the following prize-winners whose nominations were submitted by their governments to the Director-General:

Individuals:

Mrs Lieselott Diem (Federal Republic of Germany)
Dr (Mrs) Zhang Hueilan (People's Republic of China)
Mr Abraham Ordia (Nigeria)

Institutions:

The Manuel Fajardo Institute for Physical Culture (Cuba)
The Department of Physical Education and Sport (Kuwait)
The team of organizers and trainers for the 1985 Czechoslovak Physical Culture Festival (Czechoslovakia);

Recommends that the Director-General:

1. inform Member States of the principles that have emerged from the discussions of the Intergovernmental Committee at its fifth session, in order to facilitate their choice of candidates;

2. consider the possibility of officially presenting this award to the prize-winners at the next session of the Executive Board.

ANNEX I

AGENDA

1. Opening of the session
2. Election of the Chairman
3. Election of Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur
4. Adoption of the agenda
5. Amendment of the Rules of Procedure
6. Report on the execution of Unesco's programme in the field of physical education and sport since the fourth session of the Committee
7. Evaluation of the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All and consideration of the possibility of organizing a second week
8. Execution of the Approved Programme for 1986-1987
9. Examination of the multidisciplinary study decided on by the Executive Board on the origins and forms of violence in sports activities, and related Executive Board decisions
10. Preparation of the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport in 1988-1989
11. Exchange of views on the major lines of emphasis of Unesco's programme in the field of physical education and sport for 1988-1989
12. Recommendations on the major lines of emphasis of the Medium-Term Plan for 1990-1995 in the field of physical education and sport
13. Activities of the International Fund for the Development of Physical Education and Sport
14. Selection of prize-winners and choice of date for conferring the Unesco award for distinguished services to physical education and sport
15. Adoption of the final report
16. Closure of the session

ANNEX II

ADDRESS BY MR DU HAO RAN, VICE-CHAIRMAN OF THE BUREAU AT THE OPENING OF THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE COMMITTEE

Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the pleasure to declare the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport open.

The Chairman of the Committee, Mr Sharad Chandra Shaha, has informed the Secretariat that he is unable to be present because of his other commitments. It therefore falls to me to direct the opening of the session in my capacity as Vice-Chairman and as the senior member of the Bureau - a duty I am very proud to perform. I am convinced that my task - glorious but brief - will be accomplished with the friendly and benevolent co-operation of all the delegates here present.

The procedure whereby members of the Bureau of the Committee are entrusted with directing the opening of the session and the election of the Chairman is in accord with the new provision of the Statutes adopted by the General Conference in 23 C/Resolution 32.1. This stipulates that 'The members of the Bureau who are representatives of Member States of Unesco shall remain in office until a new Bureau has been elected'.

Distinguished Delegates,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Chairman, Sharad Chandra Shaha, is currently attending the Asian Games and is therefore unable to attend this session, for which he presents his apologies. Since the fourth session of the Committee in October 1984, the work of the Bureau of the Committee has been conducted under the chairmanship of Mr Sharad Chandra Shaha, who has spared no efforts to carry out the Committee's work successfully. I should therefore like to offer him our sincere thanks.

Those participating in the fifth session of our Committee include, in addition to delegates from 29 member countries, a large number of observers and guests from governmental and non-governmental organizations. I extend a warm welcome to them.

I also wish to welcome and to thank Mr Knapp, the Deputy Director-General, who has been good enough to attend our meeting and propose guidelines for our work. I am convinced that the tasks entrusted to our session will be successfully carried out through the joint efforts of delegates and with the support of all participants.

ANNEX III

ADDRESS BY MR J. KNAPP,
DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL, AT THE OPENING OF THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORT

Ladies and Gentlemen,

I have the honour today of welcoming on behalf of the Director-General all those who have come to attend this fifth session of the Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport - the delegates of the Member States of the Committee and the many observers representing Member States of Unesco and international intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations.

It gives me great pleasure to convey to all the participants the warm greetings of the Director-General, who has asked me to extend a special welcome to the representatives of the Member States elected to this Committee by the twenty-third session of the General Conference. I should also like, at the opening of this session, to pay tribute to Mr Sharad Chandra Shaha who, having been elected Chairman of your Committee at the fourth session, has filled this office with great skill and who, under the terms of the amendment made to the Committee's Statutes by the General Conference, continued to chair the sixteenth session of the Bureau last February.

I should also like to thank the members of the outgoing Bureau for the quality of the work they have performed throughout their term of office.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

1986, designated 'International Year of Peace', coincides with the fortieth anniversary of the Organization. It also represents the tenth anniversary of the first International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport, which met in 1976. In furtherance of the recommendations adopted by this Conference, the General Conference established your Committee and adopted its Statutes. Through its work the Committee has contributed not only to the formulation and implementation of Unesco's programme of activities in the field of physical education and sport, in conformity with the International Charter of Physical Education and Sport, but also, in accordance with its Statutes, to the promotion of international co-operation in this field with a view to strengthening peace, friendship, understanding and mutual respect among peoples. I am pleased to note that the Committee's work has concentrated on essentials and that it has borne fruit. The International Charter of Physical Education and Sport has been adopted and widely circulated. Relations with non-governmental organizations concerned with physical education and sport have been strengthened. Many Member States have celebrated the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All. In pursuance of your recommendations, the Executive Board has established a Unesco Award for Distinguished Services to Physical Education and Sport. The International Fund for Physical Education and Sport has continued to play its role, despite the precarious state of its resources, and has supported the organization of a series of measures for the training of specialists in physical education and sport.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

The scale and importance of physical education and sporting activities, the interest they arouse, particularly sports events and competitions, which in some cases attract tens of thousands of spectators and are followed on the television by tens of millions more, and the large sums of money they bring in make it more than ever necessary to strengthen co-operation at the national and international levels among the public authorities, sports governing bodies and international governmental and non-governmental orgnizations.

The outbreaks of violence that have occurred at certain competitions since your last session have shown the extent to which such co-operation is necessary if physical education and sport is to contribute to the development of and respect for the human person, to closer

links and friendship between people, to international understanding and to peace.

The agenda before you takes account of these concerns. You will be called upon to exchange views on a number of items, three of which would seem to merit special consideration.

The first item concerns the preparation of the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport. At your previous session, you agreed on the need to review the implementation of the recommendations of the first conference in 1976, which would doubtless be of help in the formulation of programme guidelines for the next Medium-Term Plan. In response to your recommendations, the General Conference in Sofia invited the Director-General to carry out the necessary preparatory work for convening, during the 1988-1989 biennium, the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport. You will doubtless wish to express a view on the questions that could be taken into account in the preparation of the provisional agenda and on the date of that Conference.

The second item relates to the multidisciplinary study, decided upon by the Executive Board at its 122nd session, of origins and forms of violence in sports activities, and in particular of its social and educational aspects, together with appropriate remedial action. Given the importance of this study, both for Member States and for the Organization, the Secretariat would like to have your suggestions on the lines of approach to be adopted and the measures that could be envisaged within Unesco's fields of competence.

The third item, finally, concerns the International Fund for the Development of Physical Education and Sport. The Director-General informed the General Conference at its last session in October 1985 of the difficulties experienced by this Fund, voluntary contributions by Member States having failed to come up to expectations. Today, the Secretariat is submitting for your consideration a series of promotional activities that could help to make FIDEPS better known and perhaps increase the resources at its disposal to the extent that Member States will support it, in particular through the establishment of national FIDEPS committees.

These proposals, while aimed at making the purposes of the Fund better known, are also intended to interest private-sector bodies in its work. I would single out in this respect the plan to hold a world festival of traditional games and sports, in accordance with recommendations made by your Committee, which wishes to promote events related to the cultural heritage that might form part of the World Decade for Cultural Development.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Your work can make a substantial contribution, through international co-operation, to the successful promotion of physical education and sport in the Member States.

I remain convinced that the spirit of co-operation that prevails among you and the tradition of mutual understanding that has characterized previous sessions of your Committee are the surest guarantee of the success of this work.

ANNEX IV

ADDRESS BY MR AMADOU-MAHTAR M'BOW, DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC AND CULTURAL ORGANIZATION (UNESCO) AT THE CLOSURE OF THE FIFTH SESSION OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE FOR PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND SPORT

Mr Chairman,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

I am happy to be with you at the closing meeting of the fifth session of the Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport, which has coincided with Unesco's celebration of its fortieth anniversary.

I am pleased that Member States that are not members of the Committee have been present at your proceedings, and I am gratified by the valuable contribution made to this session by the international governmental and non-governmental organizations.

I should like, first of all, to express my gratitude to Mr Osvaldo A. Otero and, on behalf of you all, to thank him for the dedication and skill which he has shown in chairing this session of the Committee.

I should like to thank the Vice-Chairmen of the Committee and the Sub-Committee Chairmen, Mr Ahmad Abdul-Rahman Al-Sarheed and Mr A. Juantorena, for the work done by the subcommittees which they were elected to chair, and to thank the rapporteurs, especially Mr Diadié Dagnoko, your Rapporteur-General. May I also congratulate you all, ladies and gentlemen, on the high level of your discussions and for the quality and relevance of the recommendations that you have put forward, thus assuming to the full the functions which the General Conference has assigned to the Committee.

Lastly, may I say how gratified we were by your appreciation of the work done by the Organization since the Committee's last session and of the clarity of the documents which were submitted to you.

Ladies and Gentlemen,

Although the work of the Executive Board has prevented me from taking part in your discussions as I would have wished, I am happy to see, on reading the conclusions that you have arrived at and the recommendations that you have adopted, that those discussions have been most fruitful.

In the last ten years, physical education and sport have come to occupy a more and more prominent place in most societies.

As a leisure-time activity, the practice of physical culture and sport has spread, and the number of men and women who have reached a level enabling them to take part in official competitions is steadily growing. The increase in public participation in sporting activities is unprecedented, as can be seen from the very favourable reception given by Member States to the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All.

Crowds of supporters gather in their tens of thousands to watch major sporting events of increasingly varied kinds, and tens, not to say hundreds, of millions of viewers watch them on television thanks to worldwide television distribution.

Sport has thus become an important economic activity. It involves considerable sums of money, for example fees for broadcasting and connected aspects such as revenue from betting and gaming, tourism and the production and sale of sports gear and equipment. Hence the importance of what is being done to preserve the world's heritage of games and to save traditional games.

Again, we must not forget the special position of sports contests in international relations today. Although sport and regard for the Olympic ideal are an essential ingredient in understanding, mutual appreciation and reciprocal tolerance, sport can also become an element of racial, political and economic confrontation. This occasionally leads to the violence that we have seen at sports contests and particularly at football matches.

These concerns were very much present throughout your discussions. I shall therefore just make some brief comments on your conclusions concerning some of the items on your agenda.

With regard to item 10, I have noted your recommendation concerning the holding, during the next biennium, of a second Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical

Education and Sport. This Conference could review the projects that have been carried out since the first Conference and examine the problems still requiring solution. I intend to examine very attentively the suggestions that you have made regarding the preparation of this Conference and the topics which could be placed on its agenda.

The General Conference has already provided for the holding of this meeting in 1988-1989 since in resolution 5.3.1, adopted at its twenty-third session, it invited me 'to carry out the necessary preparatory work for convening, during the 1988-1989 biennium, the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport'.

The General Conference will have to take a decision on this matter at its next session. I have, nevertheless, already noted the invitation offered by Mr Roussak, Vice-Chairman of the Soviet State Committee for Physical Education and Sport, to hold this Conference in Moscow or Leningrad.

Regarding item 7 of your agenda, I note your wish to organize a second World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport for All. I also note your wish to continue efforts to implement the International Charter of Physical Education and Sport and to secure more extensive participation by women and certain special groups in physical education activities and the practice of sport. I also appreciate very much the offers that have been made by the representatives of non-governmental organizations to co-operate in the execution of Unesco's programme in this field.

Turning to item 13, it is clear that the future of the International Fund for the Development of Physical Education and Sport was the focus of your discussions. The Deputy Director-General, who represented me at the opening meeting, spoke to you of my concern on this point. I note in particular from your debate the support that you have given to the promotional activities that the Secretariat is preparing to launch in order to elicit new financial contributions.

In this connection, the special attention that you devoted to the plan to hold world festivals of games, sports and traditions is a strong encouragement to Unesco.

I should like to express my thanks here to the delegations which offered further contributions to the Fund to enable it to increase its activities under the multi-annual plan for the training and further training of personnel for physical education and sport. I am also gratified by the very constructive proposals made by the Olympic Sports Movement in application of the Memorandum of Co-operation that I signed with the President of the International Olympic Committee.

The situation of the Fund will nevertheless remain a cause for concern so long as there are so few contributions from governmental and private sources. May I thus ask all participants to consider themselves as ambassadors of this Fund, aiming at a much more effective mustering of resources for physical education and sport for all, and particularly for the most disadvantaged countries?

Regarding item 9, I should like to thank you for the suggestions that you put forward as to the approach to be adopted by the multidisciplinary study requested by the Executive Board on the origins and forms of violence in sports activities. You have very opportunely stressed the complexity of this problem, the many factors to be taken into account and the importance of the role of education in the effort needed to find a solution.

Finally, turning to item 14, I welcome the very wise choice of prize-winners - individuals and institutions - to which the award that Unesco has established in recognition of distinguished services to physical education and sport will be presented for the first time.

Mr Chairman,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

Allow me, in conclusion, to say how happy I am that, from beginning to end, this session has been distinguished by that spirit of mutual understanding, reciprocal respect and cross-frontier unity of purpose that is the very basis of Unesco's action and endows the International Charter of Physical Education and Sport with its full significance.

Thank you.

ANNEX V

ADDRESS BY MR OSVALDO OTERO,
CHAIRMAN OF THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE,
AT THE CLOSURE OF THE SESSION

Mr Director-General,
Delegates and Observers,
Ladies and Gentlemen,

The close of its fifth session marks the completion of another week's work by the Intergovernmental Committee for Physical Education and Sport.

As usual, the results of the Committee's work have been very positive and give us every reason to hope for a better future - one in which the sporting community as a whole will gradually succeed in strengthening the principles and content of Unesco's International Charter for Physical Education and Sport.

This would not have been possible if we had not all been able to rely on the help of the Organization's most senior officials, who have guided our efforts with patience and wisdom.

I should like, in the first place, to thank the Director-General for his attendance at this session, to underline his qualities of leadership at events of this kind, and at all those that take place within this Organization, and to express again my personal gratification at the thought-provoking address he has just delivered.

I thank, secondly, the Director-General's representatives, whose well-judged interventions in the debate have helped to clarify and inform our discussions.

I thank next those members of the Secretariat whose tireless efforts, allied to skill and intelligence, have helped us to resolve one by one all our difficulties and to achieve this important consensus.

Mention must be made finally of the support received from the interpreters and other staff, who have shown unfailing good humour in helping to solve solve all our problems.

I must naturally include in this expression of thanks my colleagues, particularly the Vice-Chairmen and Rapporteur-General, whose co-operation and skill have enabled us, as I have said, to achieve this most important result.

What is needed now is a period of reflection and reconsideration to consolidate some of the ideas raised in the debate and included in the recommendations made to the Director-General.

We have made substantial progress in our review of the first World Week of Physical Fitness and Sport and in our examination of the possibility of organizing a second week.

We have also made progress in our consideration of the topic of violence in sport - truly a scourge of present-day societies - and of the importance of studying it, and we have emphasized the key role of education in dealing with the problem and the possibility of devising conceptual approaches which could assist in solving it.

What has been achieved in the way of preparation for the second International Conference of Ministers and Senior Officials Responsible for Physical Education and Sport has likewise been very positive and makes it possible to view the event as a tangible prospect and to appreciate its importance for the future of international physical education and sport.

Mention must also be made of our consideration of the Unesco Awards for Distinguished Services to Physical Education and Sport.

It was in this context that two outstanding features of this meeting emerged: the first was the generous and altruistic attitude shown by the delegates in the vote; and the second was the key importance given to the role of women in physical and sporting activities, which is evident in the list of prize-winners and will hopefully be reflected in an increased female attendance at future meetings.

All this leads me to reaffirm a number of philosophical ideas that, as well as reflecting my personal beliefs, I see as implicit in all our discussions.

Allow me therefore to repeat that sport and physical education as I understand them are both a right of all people and a means to health and education.

Physical and sports activities should be regarded as a means of producing healthy and well-educated individuals in whom sporting activities

reinforce a sense of belonging to their respective peoples and who observe a strict moral and ethical code governed by friendship and mutual respect.

Sport and physical education involve a perfect balance, and those who practise sport educate themselves by pitting themselves against obstacles and develop physically and spiritually to meet the tests to which they are subjected, relating both to their team-mates and also to opponents, whom they must respect, since without them there would in most instances be no sport.

All this should be without excessive drama, since physical and sporting activities should never be divorced from the element of play.

Having had my view of sport as an epitome of life confirmed I take with me from this meeting the ideas of fellowship, pride in the positive sense of the term, courage in the face of adversity and respect for one's opponent.

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